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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of:  
Ulrich Brochheuser et al.

Application No.: 10/562,658

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Art Unit: 3725

For: REDUCING TUBES OVER A STEPPED  
MANDREL TO MANUFACTURE TUBULAR  
SHAFTS HAVING AN UNDERCUT IN ONE  
OPERATION

Examiner: E. T. Tolan

**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Madam:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated December 18, 2006, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.